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	Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington DC 20231											
	Sir:											
	REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL											
•	This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.											
	1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114											
			Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously									
-	filed on			. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).								
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spension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three						
nder 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)						
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FEE CALCULATION:

			SMALL	ENTITY	NOT SMALL ENTITY		
⊠ _{RCE}	BASIC FILING	G FEE	\$370.00	\$ 370.00	\$740.00	\$	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER RCE	HIGHEST NO. PAID FOR	EXTRA				
TOTAL CLAIMS	34	34 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$	\$18 EACH	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	4 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$42 EACH	\$	\$84 EACH	\$
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☐ THREE	MONTH EXTEN	SION OF TIME	\$460	\$	\$920	\$	
□ FOUR	MONTH EXTENS	SION OF TIME	\$720	\$	\$1440	\$	
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	TOTAL	FEE DUE		\$ 570.00		\$	

- A check in the amount of \$570.00 is enclosed.
- A response to the Office Action dated November 9, 2001 was due on February 9, 2002. Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time period for response from February 9, 2002 to and through **April 9, 2002** comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of **two** months.
- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
- The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17 to deposit account 23-3050.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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